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Small Grain Harvest Wrapping Up

Spring wheat and barley harvest is nearly complete in most areas. Fall grain seeding has begun and row crop harvest continues to be active across the state. Precipitation was received across most of the state last week. Temperatures were below normal for all weather stations except Malad City. Rain showers have delayed some harvest in Northern and Eastern areas and have improved soil moisture across the state. The Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service reports farmers had an average of 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Agricultural activities for the week ending September 10 included irrigating, moving livestock off summer range, killing potato vines, fall field work, harvesting small grains, hay, sweet corn, potatoes, dry beans, onions, corn for silage and fruit.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES

	2000	1999	Avg.
Onions Harvested	18	22	23
Potatoes Vines Dying/Killed	63	29	37
Oats Harvested for Grain	89	72	71
Dry Beans Harvested	33	35	25
Peaches Harvested	82	66	71
Prunes & Plums Harvested	79	47	49
Apples Harvested	21	5	8
Sweet Corn Harvested	72	67	66
Corn Harvested for Silage	19	19	11

CROP REPORT

Producers throughout the state continue to kill potato vines and monitor for disease. Statewide potato harvest is ahead of last year and the five year average. The $3^{\rm rd}$ cutting of alfalfa hay is near completion at 83 percent, while 50 percent of the $4^{\rm th}$ cutting has been harvested. County Extension Educators in Fremont County reported some frost across most of the county. Grasshoppers continue to be a nuisance in Fremont County. Reports indicate that topsoil moisture was 24% very short, 42% short, and 34% adequate.

LIVESTOCK REPORT

Livestock continue to be brought down from the high country. Rain showers have kept range and pasture conditions from declining further.

CONDITION INFORMATION

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Irr. Water Supply	11	20	29	27	13
Range & Pasture	24	39	33	4	0
Potatoes	0	3	12	55	30

CROP PROGRESS REPORT PERCENTAGES FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 10, 2000

Cwan	North			Southwest			South-Central				East		State		
Crop	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Planted	1	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	5	21	8	13	8	3	5
Spring Wheat															
Harvested	97	66	76	100	100	100	100	92	94	96	70	78	97	75	82
Barley															
Harvested	96	73	82	100	100	100	98	98	97	94	62	72	95	72	80
Potatoes															
Harvested	NA	NA	NA	27	25	20	15	15	10	6	4	4	10	9	7
Alfalfa Hay															
Harvested (3rd cutting)	NA	NA	NA	100	97	73	100	80	71	61	29	25	83	61	50

Avg (1995-1999); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, September 10, 2000 1/

	1		rature ^{2/}			ing Degree		Precipitation (Inches)						
Station	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base To Date Normal		Total	Dept ^{3/}	Month of September	·	rch 1 Normal		
North														
Coeur D'Alene	73	36	55	-9	3146	1621	1687	0.31	0.28	0.31	9.31	12.63		
Lewiston	81	49	62	-5	4214	2479	2459	0.73	0.55	1.25	6.42	6.45		
Sand Point	72	38	54	-4	2855	1390	1374	1.21	0.87	1.35	13.99	13.15		
Southwest														
Boise	80	42	60	-6	4440	2732	2334	0.32	0.15	0.58	4.38	5.43		
Caldwell	81	39	57	-9	4384	2650	2621	0.02	-0.13	0.17	2.79	4.54		
Emmett	80	42	59	-6	4197	2513	2327	0.14	-0.04	0.63	3.88	5.29		
Mountain Home	84	41	60	-6	4491	2777	2313	0.06	-0.08	0.65	3.65	4.50		
Parma	80	38	58	-6	4338	2616	2215	0.15	0.01	0.90	3.76	5.01		
Weiser 5/	77	42			4536	2807	2251	0.28	0.18	0.28	3.09	4.54		
Southcentral														
Buhl	84	40	57	-6	4210	2558	1919	0.00	-0.16	0.47	3.24	4.70		
Burley	83	40	60	-1	4246	2573	1827	0.02	-0.12	0.27	2.79	4.90		
Hill City 5/					2785	1404	1252	0.01	-0.14	1.05	3.82	5.34		
Hagerman	85	37	59	-6	4311	2614	2441	0.00	-0.09	1.42	3.12	4.30		
Malta 5/	82	34			3679	2070	1702	0.00	-0.16	0.39	3.12	5.58		
Twin Falls	79	37	56	-6	3703	2088	1734	0.00	-0.16	0.61	3.41	4.98		
East														
Aberdeen 5/	78	31			3241	1746	1521	0.01	-0.17	0.01	2.08	5.14		
Grace	80	28	56	-3	3247	1759	1333	0.06	-0.26	0.31	8.60	8.77		
Idaho Falls	81	32	56	-4	3212	1705	1614	0.01	-0.19	0.75	5.83	6.03		
Malad City	81	43	62	0	4217	2683	1740	0.00	-0.25	0.00	2.72	8.02		
Pocatello	84	32	59	-4	3670	2104	1827	0.03	-0.15	1.31	4.17	6.42		
Rexburg Salmon	80 77	$\begin{array}{c} 34 \\ 34 \end{array}$	56 54	-5 -5	3205 3277	1725 1717	$\frac{1492}{1611}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.01 \\ 0.00 \end{array}$	-0.20 -0.23	$\begin{array}{c} 0.37 \\ 0.24 \end{array}$	$\substack{1.98\\1.46}$	$7.59 \\ 6.33$		

^{1/} Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/-- indicate missing or incomplete data. 3/ Departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation and temperature totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.

Daily High/Low Four Inch Soil Temperatures

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Station	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Average ¹			
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low		
Buhl					78	56	76	54	79	54	80	58	72	55	77	55		
Emmett					74	63	74	61	76	63	75	65	72	63	74	63		
Parma	61	58	62	61	62	60	61	59	61	60	60	58	61	59	61	59		
Sandpoint					60	55	61	56	64	55	59	52	54	52	60	54		
Twin Falls					67	55	68	54	67	54	66	52	61	51	66	53		

^{1/} Averages are only for days reports were received. -- Missing or Incomplete Data.

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